Cases against Petrol Pumps and LPG dealers pending in MRTPC

1058. SHRI SHIV CHARAN SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of probe letters issued by the director General against the Petrol Pumps and LPG dealers during the last two years for violation of Monopolies and Trade Practices Act, 1969;

(b) the number of cases settled so far;

(c) whether several cases against these petrol pumps and LPG dealers are still pending in MRTPC;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the action taken or proposed to be taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ) (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) to (e). There are 45 enquiries pending with the MRTP Commission against the LPG dealers/petrol pumps/oil companies for the last three years and the same are at different stages of consideration. The MRTP Commission is a quasi-judicial body and is required to follow the procedure laid in the MRTP Act, 1969, the Indian Penal Code and the Code of Civil Procedure. The time involved in disposing of the enquiries depends upon the nature of pleadings, the number of witnesses to be examined, securing and proving of documents, etc.

CPSUs referred to BIFR

1059. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the CPSUs referred to BIFR during 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95 year-wise;

(b) how many of them have been cleared for rehabilitation by BIFR so far with date of sanction of the scheme;

(c) the present status of schemes under implementation; and

(d) the number of cases where show-cause notice for winding up has been served as no promoter could be found after Government refused to act as promoter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) to (d). The number of Central PSUs referred to BIFR and registered with BIFR during Calander year 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1994 year-wise are Nil, 38, 7 and 8 respectively. Their names and year-wise registration are given in Statement-I (*See* below). The BIFR have so far cleared the rehabilitation packages in respect of 12 PSUs. Their names and date of sanction of the scheme are given in Statement-II (*See* below). The present status of the scheme under implementation is given in Statement III (*See* below). The BIFR have issued Show-Cause Notice for winding up in the case of 9 PSUs, out of which employees of 5 PSUs have moved the Hon'ble Calcutta High Court, for grant of Stay Order and Hon'ble Court, have granted Stay Order against final pronouncement of recommendation of BIFR proceedings.